

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY**  
January 27, 2017

These minutes were  
approved by the Board  
on March 31, 2017

**ORAL EXAMINATION ADMINISTRATION 10 am to 11am**

The following candidates were administered the examination and received a passing score:

Hansen, Brooke  
May, Pamela  
Meguiar, Thomas  
Williams, Natalie

**1. ROLL CALL**

The meeting of the Board of Psychology was called to order by the Vice-Chair, Dr. Weilage, at 11:05 a.m. in Lower Level D, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were mailed to the Board members and other interested parties in accordance with the Open Meetings Law. The following members answered the roll call:

<b><u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u></b>	<b><u>BOARD REPRESENTATION</u></b>
Stephanie Bruhn, PhD	Member
Jennifer Dreibelbis	Member
Jerry Van Winkle, PsyD	Secretary
Stacy Waldron, PhD	Member
Mark Weilage, PhD	Vice-Chair
<b><u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u></b>	
Karen Billingsley	Member (arrived 11:12 p.m.)
Mary Fran Flood, PhD	Member
<b><u>OTHERS PRESENT</u></b>	<b><u>AGENCY REPRESENTATION</u></b>
Kris Chiles	Program Manager, Licensure Unit
Nancy Herdman	Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit
Larry Wiehn	Investigator

Members introduced themselves as today was the first meeting for new member Stacy Waldron.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Van Winkle moved, seconded by Bruhn, to adopt the agenda. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Bruhn, Dreibelbis, Van Winkle, Waldron, Weilage (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Billingsley, Flood (2). Motion carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (11-18-16)**

**MOTION:** Bruhn moved, seconded by Dreibelbis, to approve the minutes of 11-18-16. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Bruhn, Dreibelbis, Van Winkle, Weilage (4). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: Waldron (1). Absent: Billingsley, Flood (2). Motion carried.

**4. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS AND OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION:** Bruhn moved, seconded by Weilage, to enter into closed session at 11:11 a.m. Bruhn announced that the purpose was to hear discussions of an investigative/confidential nature and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Bruhn, Dreibelbis, Van Winkle, Waldron, Weilage (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Billingsley, Flood (2). Motion carried.

11:12 a.m. - Billingsley entered meeting  
11:20 a.m. - Wiehn departed meeting

**MOTION:** Bruhn moved, seconded by Van Winkle, to enter into open session at 11:30 a.m. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Billingsley, Bruhn, Dreibelbis, Van Winkle, Waldron, Weilage (6). Voting nay: None (0). Voting abstain: None (0). Absent: Flood (1). Motion carried.

11:30 a.m. - Break

11:36 a.m. - Meeting resumed

## **5. REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS – OPEN SESSION**

### **a. Applications, Education and Reinstatements**

#### **Vanessa Laskowski – 2<sup>nd</sup> Provisional Psychology**

**MOTION:** Waldron moved, seconded by Bruhn, to recommend approval of the application for a 2<sup>nd</sup> provisional psychology license. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Billingsley, Bruhn, Dreibelbis, Van Winkle, Waldron, Weilage (6). Voting nay: None (0). Voting abstain: None (0). Absent: Flood (1). Motion carried.

Weilage reported he also reviewed the education and internship completed by an applicant at Capella and believed it was equivalent to APA.

#### **Yvonne Westover – Education and Internship Review**

**MOTION:** Bruhn moved, seconded by Weilage, to accept the education and internship reviewed by Weilage of the applicant who attend Capella as APA equivalent. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Billingsley, Bruhn, Dreibelbis, Van Winkle, Waldron, Weilage (6). Voting nay: None (0). Voting abstain: None (0). Absent: Flood (1). Motion carried.

11:40 a.m. - Hampton entered meeting

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### **a. Correspondence**

#### **• Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards**

Chiles reported she had received a notice introducing a new on-line management system that would include entering disciplinary actions.

#### **• American Psychological Association**

There was no new information to report.

#### **• Nebraska Psychology Association**

Waldron reported that upcoming trainings would occur on June 2, 2017; September 15, 2017; and October 20, 2017.

### **b. Approval of the Method of Noticing Meeting Agendas**

Chiles reported that meetings agendas are currently posted on the DHHS website, posted on the bulletin board in the waiting area of the Licensure Unit and sent to anyone who requests one.

**MOTION:** Dreibelbis moved, seconded by Billingsley, to retain the current process of noticing meeting agendas. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Billingsley, Bruhn, Dreibelbis, Van Winkle, Waldron, Weilage (6). Voting nay: None (0). Voting abstain: None (0). Absent: Flood (1). Motion carried.

## **7. UPDATES/REPORTS**

- **2017 Legislative Bills Introduced**

Chiles provided a summary of the following bills:

LB 36 – State agencies must review regulations regarding occupational credentialing every 5 years.

LB 88 – The Department with Board recommendation will issue a temporary credential to military spouses who provide required documents.

LB 107 – Relates to the criminal statutes and prohibits sexual abuse of a patient 16 to 19 years of age by health professionals.

LB 173 – Relates to the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act and prohibits discrimination based on sexual identity. The Board discussed this could impact the psychology regulations if it passed.

LB 299 – Creates a board that will have oversight on regulations of occupational professions. Hampton commented that it would add an extra layer of regulation review. She also stated there was a provision that would allow an individual who has convictions to go before the licensing board prior to applying for a license and ask if their conviction would prohibit them from getting a license.

LB 344 - Includes a new option to obtain a LADC license by reciprocity; would require registration of a provisional mental health supervisor within 30 days of obtaining employment rather than at the time of application for the PLMHP; revises the requirements to obtain a mental health practice license by reciprocity; and proposes to combine substance abuse and mental health centers into one license and eliminate outpatient substance abuse center licensing.

- **Rules and Regulations and Next Steps**

Chiles suggested that she could modify the prior draft into the new UCA format by removing any text that is a repeat of statute language and include the revised lawful presence language due to a bill passed in 2016. She also suggest the draft be in a clean version (no cross hatching and underlining) for ease in reading. The members agreed to review the regulations and place this item on the next meeting agenda.

- **Justice Behavioral Health Committee**

Bruhn volunteered to be the Board representative on this committee.

- **Licensure and Examination Statistics / Administrative Penalties**

Chiles reported the following examination statistics for 2016:

EPPP – 19 passed, 11 failed  
Oral/Written Jurisprudence – 25 passed

Chiles reported the following statistics:

30 day temporary practice	6
Provisional Psychologist	47
Psychological Assistant	100
Psychologist	494
Psychologist Associate	1
Special Psychologist	6
Temporary Psychologist	4

- **Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Action Reports**

Chiles reported for 2016 there was one non-disciplinary assurance of compliance (Theodore DeLaet) and three probation actions (Colleen Conoley, Kevin Piske and Christopher Sanders).

## **8. ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

a. Officers (election)

**MOTION:** Bruhn moved, seconded by Waldron, to elect Weilage as chair, Bruhn as vice-chair and Van Winkle as secretary. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Billingsley, Bruhn, Dreibelbis, Van Winkle, Waldron, Weilage (6). Voting nay: None (0). Voting abstain: None (0). Absent: Flood (1). Motion carried.

b. Investigative Consultant and ASPPB Representative (appointments)

Van Winkle and Flood were appointed as investigative consultants. The appointment of an ASPPB delegate was delayed until the next meeting. Weilage agreed to serve as a mentor for new member Waldron.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Bruhn moved, seconded by Waldron, to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Billingsley, Bruhn, Dreibelbis, Van Winkle, Waldron, Weilage (6). Voting nay: None (0). Voting abstain: None (0). Absent: Flood (1). Motion carried.

There being no further business, Weilage declared the meeting of the Board of Psychology adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jerry Van Winkle, PsyD, Secretary  
Board of Psychology

**Next Meeting:  
March 31, 2017**

Summarized by: Nancy Herdman, Health Licensing Coordinator – Licensure Unit